IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1.-49. (Cancelled)

50. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus, comprising:
a communication unit configured to communicate with a portable device for playing
content data; and

a control unit configured

to detect a connection between the information processing apparatus and the portable device via the communication unit, and

to activate <u>launch</u> automatically a predetermined application installed in the information processing apparatus [[when]] <u>in response to</u> the connection [[is]] <u>being</u> detected, wherein

said predetermined application is configured to transfer the content data between the portable device and the information processing apparatus, and to play the content data.

51. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 50, wherein

based on the activated launched application, said control unit

controls the communication unit to receive associated information of the content data from the portable device, and

controls a display unit to display said associated information.

52. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 50, wherein

based on the <u>activated launched</u> application, said control unit controls the communication unit to transfer the content data from the information processing apparatus to the portable device.

53. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim52, wherein

based on the <u>activated launched</u> application, said control unit controls the transferring of the content data without regard to a user input.

54. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 50, wherein

based on the <u>activated launched</u> application, said control unit extracts the content data to be transferred from the information processing apparatus according to a predetermined condition.

55. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 54, wherein

the predetermined condition is related to associated information of the content data.

56. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 54, wherein

the predetermined condition is random.

57. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 54, wherein

the predetermined condition is stored in the portable device.

58. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 50, wherein

based on the activated launched application, said control unit

controls a reading unit to read content data from a Compact Disc (CD),

controls a compression of the read content data, and

stores the compressed content data into the information processing apparatus.

59. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 58, wherein

based on the activated <u>launched</u> application, said control unit controls the communication unit to transfer the compressed content data to the portable device without regard to a user input.

60. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 50, wherein

based on the activated <u>launched</u> application, said control unit controls a different communication unit to download the content data from a web server.

61. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 60, wherein

based on the <u>activated launched</u> application, said control unit controls the communication unit to transfer the downloaded content data to the portable device without regard to a user input.

62. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 52, wherein

based on the <u>activated launched</u> application, said control unit controls the communication unit to receive the content data from the portable device.

63. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 50, wherein

said communication unit is Universal Serial Bus (USB).

64. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 50, wherein

based on the activated launched application, said control unit controls a display unit to display an indication that the portable device is connected to the information processing apparatus.

65. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 50, wherein

based on the <u>activated launched</u> application, said control unit controls reproduction of said content data from the portable device.

66. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 50, wherein

said content data is music data.

67. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 50, wherein

the predetermined application is configured to organize the content data stored in the information processing apparatus.

68. (Currently Amended) A <u>non-transitory</u> computer-readable storage medium having embedded therein instructions, which when executed by a processor, cause the processor to perform a method of an information processing apparatus, the method comprising:

detecting, by a control unit of the information processing apparatus, whether a portable device for playing content data is connected to the information processing apparatus via a communication unit, the communication unit being configured to communicate with the portable device; and

activating launching automatically, by the control unit of the information processing apparatus, a predetermined application installed in the information processing apparatus

[[when]] in response to the portable device [[is]] being detected to be connected to the information processing apparatus, wherein

said predetermined application is configured to transfer the content data between the portable device and the information processing apparatus, and to play the content data.

69. (Currently Amended) The <u>non-transitory</u> computer-readable storage medium according to claim 68, further comprising:

based on the activated launched application,

controlling, by said control unit, the communication unit to receive associated information of the content data from the portable device, and

controlling, by said control unit, a display unit to display said associated information.

70. (Currently Amended) The <u>non-transitory</u> computer-readable storage medium according to claim 68, further comprising:

based on the <u>activated launched</u> application, controlling, by said control unit, the communication unit to transfer the content data from the information processing apparatus to the portable device.

71. (Currently Amended) The <u>non-transitory</u> computer-readable storage medium according to claim 70, further comprising:

based on the activated <u>launched</u> application, controlling, by said control unit, the transferring of the content data without regard to a user input.

72. (Currently Amended) The <u>non-transitory</u> computer-readable storage medium according to claim 68, wherein

based on the activated <u>launched</u> application, extracting, by said control unit, the content data to be transferred from the information processing apparatus in accordance with a predetermined condition.

73. (Currently Amended) The <u>non-transitory</u> computer-readable storage medium according to claim 72, wherein

the predetermined condition is related to associated information of the content data.

74. (Currently Amended) The <u>non-transitory</u> computer-readable storage medium according to claim 72, wherein

the predetermined condition is random.

75. (Currently Amended) The <u>non-transitory</u> computer-readable storage medium according to claim 72, wherein

the predetermined condition is stored in the portable device.

76. (Currently Amended) The <u>non-transitory</u> computer-readable storage medium according to claim 68, further comprising:

based on the activated launched application,

controlling, by said control unit, a reading unit to read content data from a Compact Disc (CD),

controlling, by said control unit, a compression of the read content data, and storing, by said control unit, the compressed content data into the information processing apparatus.

77. (Currently Amended) The <u>non-transitory</u> computer-readable storage medium according to claim 76, further comprising:

based on the activated <u>launched</u> application, controlling, by said control unit, the communication unit to transfer the compressed content data to the portable device without regard to a user input.

78. (Currently Amended) The <u>non-transitory</u> computer-readable storage medium according to claim 68, wherein

based on the activated <u>launched</u> application, controlling, by said control unit, a different communication unit to download the content data from a web server.

79. (Currently Amended) The <u>non-transitory</u> computer-readable storage medium according to claim 78, further comprising:

based on the activated <u>launched</u> application, controlling, by said control unit, the communication unit to transfer the downloaded content data to the portable device without regard to a user input.

80. (Currently Amended) The <u>non-transitory</u> computer-readable storage medium according to claim 70, wherein

based on the activated <u>launched</u> application, controlling, by said control unit, the communication unit to receive the content data from the portable device.

81. (Currently Amended) The <u>non-transitory</u> computer-readable storage medium according to claim 68, wherein

said communication unit is Universal Serial Bus (USB).

82. (Currently Amended) The <u>non-transitory</u> computer-readable storage medium according to claim 68, wherein

based on the activated <u>launched</u> application, controlling, by said control unit, a display unit to display an indication that the portable device is connected to the information processing apparatus.

83. (Currently Amended) The <u>non-transitory</u> computer-readable storage medium according to claim 68, further comprising:

based on the <u>activated launched</u> application, controlling, by said control unit, reproduction of said content data from the portable device.

84. (Currently Amended) The <u>non-transitory</u> computer-readable storage medium according to claim 68, wherein

said content data is music data.

85. (Currently Amended) The <u>non-transitory</u> computer-readable storage medium according to claim 68, wherein

the predetermined application is configured to organize the content data stored in the information processing apparatus.

86. (Currently Amended) A method of an information processing apparatus, the method comprising:

detecting, by a control unit of the information processing apparatus, whether a portable device for playing content data is connected to the information processing apparatus via a communication unit, the communication unit being configured to communicate with the portable device; and

activating launching automatically, by the control unit of the information processing apparatus, a predetermined application installed in the information processing apparatus [[when]] in response to the portable device [[is]] being detected to be connected to the information processing apparatus, wherein

said predetermined application is configured to transfer the content data between the portable device and the information processing apparatus, and to play the content data.

87. (New) The information processing apparatus according to claim 50, wherein the control unit is configured to determine whether the predetermined application has been started, and to automatically launch the predetermined application in response to the connection being detected and a determination that the predetermined application has not been started.

88. (New) The information processing apparatus according to claim 50, wherein the control unit is configured to execute a starter program that detects the connection between the information processing apparatus and the portable device, and to launch automatically the predetermined application in response to the connection being detected.